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5. [ ] LEGISLATION Called the House Government Operations Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security to ask if the H. R. 12171 (see Journal Item above) had been cancelled. The cancellation was confirmed; no future date has yet been set. I asked if the hearing would be a combined hearing and mark up; this also was confirmed.

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6. [ ] LEGISLATION Received a call from George Gilbert, OMB, with regard to S. 2787, the "Contract Disputes Act of 1978." Mr. Gilbert indicated that OMB has no objection with our going forward with our views letter to the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee as long as we address it directly to the Committee Chairman and add the OMB proviso at the end. Mr. Gilbert also asked about H. R. 11002, the House version of the "Contract Disputes Act." I told Mr. Gilbert that my review of the bill indicated that the two bills are quite similar and that we would like to send a similar letter to the Judiciary Committee. Mr. Gilbert said OMB would have no objection.

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✓ 7. [ ] LEGISLATION Called Bill Funk, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence staffer, to make a general inquiry on H. R. 7308, the "Electronic Surveillance" bill. I asked Mr. Funk if he had any feel for whether or not there were any problems with the bill that would come up or in Judiciary Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties and the Administration of Justice. Mr. Funk said the mere fact is indicative of the fact that there are problems. In response to another question Mr. Funk said it was his opinion that in addition to the two days of hearings scheduled for this week (22 and 23 June), another day of hearings is scheduled for next week.

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8. [ ] LIAISON Ed Fritz, GAO, called saying that they were doing a study on the comparison of U. S. national productivity with the productivity of other nations and items of manufacture, etc., in which other countries specialize. He said that he needed unclassified information on what Eastern European countries are doing in this area. I called [ ] NFAC/CSS, and asked if he could have somebody from OER call Mr. Fritz and discuss the matter with him and to come back to us if there was something that we could provide GAO.

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